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Days of Remembrance

Local Holocaust survivor David Katz will be the featured speaker at a special observance Tuesday.

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USACC opens new \$750K post facility

BY BELINDA BAKER
CASEMATE STAFF WRITER

A \$750,000 construction project was officially concluded Wednesday with a ribbon cutting ceremony and the dedication of new offices for U.S. Army Cadet Command's Junior ROTC Directorate.

Located on Pratt Street behind the Military Police Station, the new 6,800 square-foot building includes 13 offices, a classroom and a conference room, according to West Rich, DPW/L project manager.

Rich said after three World War II-era wooden buildings were removed from the Pratt Street site, contractors broke ground for the new building last January and completed the project in February, when they turned the building over to DPW/L.

From that point staffers moved into their new digs
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Tattoo Troops

Soldiers from The U.S. Continental Army Band join an international lineup of uniformed performers.

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Photo by Patricia Radcliffe

Monroe resident Cookie Buffkin gets busy with spring clean up by planting gardens around her quarters and hanging baskets on her porch. Employees and residents are encouraged to plant, trim, paint or otherwise spruce up the post. Post spring clean up days are from May 16 to 21. Safety/Arbor Day will be celebrated May 20 from noon to 3 p.m. with tree plantings, a plant exchange and ecological exhibits. Various aspects of safety will be provided with demonstrations and information.

Post selects top volunteer

BY BELINDA BAKER
CASEMATE STAFF WRITER

When Heather McCann arrived at Fort Monroe's Bay Breeze Community Center for a volunteer recognition reception April 20 she had no idea she would be the event's top honoree.

After dedicating countless hours to numerous community service efforts and organizations like the American Red Cross, the Casemate Museum and the Casemate Community Connection (CCC), she was named the 2005 Volunteer of the Year.

"The magnitude of her generosity is amazing," said post Army Community Services chief Richey Cooper before calling McCann to center stage. "She has a diversity of interests but chooses to focus on what she believes will have the most impact."

Despite the many hours she contributes to the post museum where she is a volunteer docent, and the time she devotes to the post Red

Cross chapter as its publicity coordinator (she is also a blood drive team member), McCann also manages to be a "room mom" at the post Child Development Center and periodically writes articles for the post newspaper. She is also the outgoing president of the CCC. When she hands over those reigns, she will become the organization's third vice president.

In her emotionally charged acceptance remarks, McCann acknowl-

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Richey Cooper

DIRECTOR OF ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICES

edged her fellow CCC members saying she shares the honor with them. As part of the organization, she gives "the gift of time" to the local VA hospital's spinal cord injury unit where she assists with monthly bingo games and recreational activities, among other CCC endeavors.

"I am proud to be a part of CCC. I give them all the credit," she said. "If I had the opportunity to put together a dream team I could not have gathered a better group of people. Through fundraising efforts we have been able to commit \$20,000 to the Fort Monroe community in the way of scholarships and welfare initiatives."

She went on to say that her service at the post museum is a way of honoring her grandmother's legacy. She also thanked her husband, Maj. Mark McCann, and family for giving her the flexibility to be of service to the community.

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TUSCAB "Tribute to Freedom" concert, 7:30 p.m., May 6, Roper Theater, Norfolk. See Page 11

Everything else around us seems so fleeting ... so temporary.

A small taste of eternity and tradition

Last week, the world witnessed a tradition that dates back more than two millennia as the Roman Catholic Church named its new leader – Pope Benedict XVI. All of us share the joy of the Catholic congregation, and we pray for God's blessing and guidance for him and the church.

It's exciting to see history being made. Stop and think about it. Other than in the spiritual realm, I can't think of many traditions that we measure in thousands of years. There's a small taste of eternity in the long history of the world's religions.

Everything else around us seems so fleeting ... so temporary. As the expression goes, we're "here today, gone tomorrow." In the touching wedding scene in "Fiddler On The Roof," Tevye and Golda sing "Sunrise, Sunset," wondering if the young couple under the

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Maj. Jerald Jacobs
Post Chaplain's Office

wedding canopy really were the little girl and boy they had watched grow up so fast.

The words Tempus Fugit – Time Flies – adorned the faces of grandfather clocks in the nineteenth century. It's a simple message with an air of urgency. We know how harsh a taskmaster the clock can be. There never seems to be enough hours in the day to accomplish all we'd like – or maybe even

all we need to do.

Mark Twain wrote: "Time and tide wait for no man." A pompous and self-satisfied proverb, and was true for a billion years; but in our day of electric wires and water-ballast we turn it around ... man waits not for time nor tide." Of course, we have learned some ways to wrest back control from the unyielding clock, but these are always temporary measures.

Parental wistfulness goes beyond the speed at which our children age and mount up with their own wings. In the previously cited Broadway musical, "Fiddler On The Roof," Tevye struggles with change and traditions. Tradition gave him stability and strength. Change threatened that. Yet, change was what made room for love, and that was every bit as important as tradition. How do you balance those two things?

Perhaps this is the struggle of the Catholic Church

(and of all people of faith) – how do we balance our sacred texts and traditions with the changing lives and needs of God's people? How do we preserve the absolutes of the faith while giving as much latitude as possible for human choice?

Think of it in terms of parenting a teenager. How do you enforce the rules that give safety and direction while, at the same time, helping your teenager become a fulfilled, responsible, healthy, happy adult who actually wants to be seen with you occasionally?

You teach them all you've learned in the school of experience. You instill values in them and patiently wait while, in their adolescence, they examine each one and decide which values they will hold on to and which they will let go. Through it all, you care for them and about them. You love them.

As people of faith have always tried to do in their

best moments, let us affirm that maybe we as individuals don't have all the experience needed to speak infallibly. There just might be one or two pertinent facts that we don't know. Thus, we might not be qualified to speak with absolute authority on some subjects. But, we don't have to speak ignorantly.

Let us affirm the accumulated wisdom of the ages before we came on the scene. Remember that people haven't changed in 4,000 years. We still seek individuality and self-expression while seeking to "play by the rules."

Let us live by faith. That's the only way we can keep our balance as we struggle with the issues of love and tradition. After all, faith has been working for so many people for thousands of years – and there aren't too many things out there that can make that claim.

God bless you.

All features received by Aug. 27 will be evaluated for a special prize.

Casemate welcomes summer travel stories

"Quick Trip" travel features are a great way to get involved in your community newspaper, and they could result in a special prize at the end of the summer!

If you're visiting any of the parks, recreational facilities or historical sites within the Tidewater area (less than one hour's drive from Fort Monroe), the Casemate invites you to shoot photos and write a short story about your experience.

Photos can include friends and family members, as long as they're participating in the activities the vacation spot has to offer.

When shooting photos of structures, exhibits, scenery, etc., you should look for unique perspectives (angles) and interesting lighting effects.

All photos must be high quality (in focus, well lit, free of distracting backgrounds), and individuals pictured must be fully identified with first and last name and their association with Fort Monroe.

Digital photos are recommended, however, the Casemate has the capability to scan hard-copy photos. The Casemate cannot pay for film processing. Please obey all rules regarding photography established by the particular venue you're visiting.

Stories should be approximately one typewritten, single-spaced page (10 or 12 point type) and include at least three observations about the travel destination, such as: what display/feature did you like the most and why; what other features made the visit special and why; and what travel tips would you recommend to others visiting the same site?

The feature story can also include tips for parking; places to eat within, or close to, the area; and general information about hours of operation, admission costs, and times when special activities occur.

Materials can be submitted to the Casemate via e-

mail: casemate@monroe.army.mil or hand delivered to the newspaper office in Building 27. All "Quick Trip" features submitted will be edited for grammar, content and factual correctness. Regardless of editorial changes made, the submitting individual's name will appear as the byline and photo credit, where applicable.

In instances where more than one travel feature is submitted for a particular issue, the most comprehensive work (good quality photos and writing) will be published.

Participants are encouraged to seek out unique travel destinations not yet featured in the Casemate –

more than one story about a particular destination is repetitive and, per newspaper policy, will not appear in print.

All features received by the Casemate before Aug. 27, regardless of whether they are published, will be evaluated for a special prize at the end of the summer vacation period.

While there is no age limitation to this summer writing contest, participation is limited to Fort Monroe community members, to include all post employees, retired military, family members and on-post residents.

For further information, contact the Casemate staff at 788-3208/3531.

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These startling images that depict the persecution suffered by Jews and others of the non-Aryan race during Adolf Hitler's reign in Nazi Germany are part of a multi-media exhibit to be featured at Tuesday's Holocaust observance at the Post Theater. The presentation is both shocking and heart wrenching, but it reminds us of the evils that come from hatred and bigotry.



The Casemate would like to thank the authors of "The Holocaust Chronicle: A History in Words and Pictures" for granting permission to republish these photos.

Holocaust Remembered

A Hampton Roads survivor of Adolph Hitler's Holocaust will be the featured speaker at Fort Monroe's "Days of Remembrance" observance starting at 1 p.m., Tuesday at the Post Theater.

Chesapeake resident David Katz will give a presentation titled "A Lost Youth: A Story of Survival During the Holocaust."

Fort Monroe will also welcome Rabbi Norman Golner of the B'nai Israel Congregation in Hampton who will give the program's invocation.

Free and open to the public, the observance also includes a pre-event exhibit of original Holocaust art, and a multimedia presentation of Holocaust photographs and music scheduled from 12:30 to 1 p.m. in the theater lobby.

Born in Germany and living in Leipzig, Katz and his family were doomed to persecution in 1933 when Hitler became Chancellor of Germany and elevated Aryan supremacy by declaring all Jews and others of non-Aryan races biologically inferior and unworthy of life.

Katz's personal accounts of his family's journey through Europe to escape capture and, eventually, his solo trek to experience freedom are nothing short of remarkable.

A sign language interpreter will be on site. For more information, contact Robert Burns at 788-4936.

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McCann said, before moving to Fort Monroe, she did not feel like part of the Army family.

"I had always heard about the 'fabled' Army family but I didn't believe it existed. We would always (move) too quickly for me to feel like I was part of any community. We have been here longer than any place, and it has given me a chance to really belong. The Army family is real to me now."

Volunteerism was also the "crutch" that helped McCann pass the time while her husband was recently deployed to Afghanistan.

"I realized I needed to focus on something other than him being away. There were periods when I'd go without sleep and not even realize it. I stayed busy and have even kept it up since he's come back.

"Volunteering for me works on several levels – socially, emotionally, spiritually and intellectually. I could not imagine not doing it. If I decide to get back into a career, I would still make time," she said.

McCann said she is extremely appreciative of the recognition, but also noted shortly thereafter that her volunteer service was never about rewards or pats on the back.

"I can think of so many others who are deserving of this honor," she said. "I was absolutely stunned when my name was called.

"I look at it as a shared award. It's sort of like recognizing that we have one real lighthouse on Monroe but there are hundreds of little lighthouses in this community whose lights shine because they unselfishly give of their time. I really believe that there is a place for everyone



Photo by Patrick Buffett

Heather McCann

here ... anybody who wants to make a difference has a place here (among the installation's volunteers)."

Volunteer contributions in 2004 saved Fort Monroe an estimated \$581,870.

The following individuals were also acknowledged during the Volunteer Recognition Reception April 20:

250-Plus Hours

Brenda Bowers
Estella Boyd
Mary Brown
Jayme Bryson
Richard Cassem
Vicky Cassem
Jill Dair
Kathie Davis
Cindy Durkin
Marie Fago
Chris Farrell
Chuck Felix
Joan Fox
Matthew Gardner
John Gatley
Dibba Hamilton
Marsha Hansen
Bobbie Harsch
Jim Harsch
Drew Henderson
Ruth Hendricks
Jackie Holly
Michael Jasenak
Herta Jones
Audrey Lavoie
Blue Nolan
Pam Luke
Heather McCann
Jackie Pritchett
Terry Richey
Sally Rindoks
Sandra Rogers
Judy Wiseman
Raymonde Yohn

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Award
Eathwin Arneaud
Linda Bartok
Shawn Baughman
Brenda Bowers
Estella Boyd
Mary Brown
Jamie Bryson
Daniel Carrera
Richard Cassem
Jim Clark
Jill Dair
Marie Fago
Chris Farrell
Ruth Farnett
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Marsha Hansen
Adam Hefflefinger
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Asian/Pacific heritage event features inspirational talk, student performance



A member of the Filipino-American Student Association from ODU models the fashions of her culture during a recent performance in the local area.

FORT MONROE, Va. – Through song, dance and verse, a Filipino-American group from Old Dominion University, Norfolk, will complement the Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month observance here May 18.

The program begins at 1:30 p.m., at the Bay Breeze Community Center. It's free and open to the public.

The Filipino-American Student Association will offer a colorful and entertaining glimpse of their culture and heritage during the 90-minute program. Their high-spirited performance is a perfect fit for the overall May observance, which celebrates the many achievements of Asian/Pacific Americans and their role in building and sustaining the nation.

Also featured at the observance will be Col. Chels Chae, division chief of Joint and Army Concepts in the Army Futures Center, Training and Doctrine Command. Chae will offer an inspirational talk titled "Unity As Foundation, Diversity As Strength."

Chae graduated from the U.S. Military Academy and received his commis-

sion as a second lieutenant in the infantry in 1982. He has served in command positions from platoon-level to light infantry battalion.



Col. Chels Chae

His last command tour was with the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry (Wolfhounds) Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, Hawaii. Prior to his current assignment, he was with Allied Command Transformation (ACT) in Norfolk in the Concept Development and Experimentation Directorate.

The colonel has completed course work at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the U.S. Marine Corps Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. Chae's awards and decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army commendation medals, the Combat Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist with Combat Star and Ranger Tab.

A sign language interpreter will be on site.

The Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Resource Management is sponsoring the observance.

For more information, call 788-4451.

Post observes 'Day of Prayer'

Fort Monroe will observe the National Day of Prayer Thursday with a luncheon starting at 11:30 a.m., at the post's Bay Breeze Community Center.

The event is open to the public and tickets are required.

Col. Steven C. Sifers, executive officer to the Commanding General TRADOC, will be the program's featured speaker. Sifers will speak on this year's observance theme: "God Shed His Grace On Thee."

Soldiers E-5 and below are asked to give a \$3 donation to receive a buffet ticket; all others – to include civilian employees, family members and guests – are requested to give a \$6 donation. Donations for tickets should be made by Monday. Tickets are available at the Fort Monroe Chapel Center inside the moat.

For more information, contact the Post Chaplain's Office at 788-2611.

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New claims procedures include online service

BY PATRICIA RADCLIFFE
CASEMATE STAFF WRITER

The Department of the Army is preparing to implement two major changes to the claims system. One – possibly beginning in May – will enable personnel under permanent change of station orders to file claims online to recoup damage costs for shipped household goods.

The other, poised to start in October, is a more radical change. Civilian and military personnel will get full replacement value for items damaged while in shipping. Also, they will have the opportunity to hire carriers they prefer online.

“The biggest claim concern is depreciation cost. When they come in here to me, they want full value for their items,” post claims examiner Jennifer Parker said.

“Our first option is repair. If the item can’t be repaired, we have to pay a depreciated cost. Anything they’ve had for six months or longer is considered old and will be depreciated. With some items, there is a limit of \$1,500 on what the government will pay. If you pay, say \$5,000 for a television set and you can only get \$1,500 minus 10 percent if it’s over six months old, it can be upsetting,” Parker said.

She also said that after October, the carrier will have to replace items – like the television in the



Jennifer Parker

example – with one that is similar or pay the customer the cost of a new one.

“Customers will deal directly with the carrier to arrange delivery of household goods (thereby) eliminating the need for storage. One carrier will handle a shipment instead of two or three. It equates to less damage because you have fewer people handling the shipment,” Parker said noting that it is a “win-win” arrangement because it also saves storage fees for the government.

Finding a carrier with a good reputation should be relatively easy because an online survey will allow

customers to rate the company. Conversely, companies that do not perform well will be held accountable more quickly than they were in the past.

“There will be a form that is based on whether or not the person will use the carrier again ... based on the amount of damage made to their shipment,” Parker said.

“It used to take a long time to get rid of a (negatively performing) carrier, but now it will be based on how the service member or civilian rates the carrier’s performance. There is no more middle man; it will be between the carrier and the customer,” she added.

Also in October, personnel will be able to receive counseling and shipping information and book shipments online.

Prior to the October changes, though, personnel will be able to complete their claims online. In May, claimants should be able to file the initial claim through Army Knowledge Online. They don’t even have to set foot in a claims office.

“(Their) claim will go to the central claims office in Maryland and

will be sent to the local office where claimants are stationed. Claimants who don’t want to use the Internet, can come into the claims office here. So, it’s not 100 percent where they have to go online, but it is more beneficial.

“Even Soldiers overseas who decide to begin the process can file their initial claim where they are. A lot of them miss the 70-day period (for filing a claim) because they don’t have time to come. Now, they can just do it from home and can stop the time from ticking away,” Parker said.

Those who need access to a computer to file a claim may use the extra one Parker has available in her office and she can walk claimants through the process.

“It’s a big time saver,” Parker said. It allows customers to make their own arrangements that will coincide with their schedules.”

Parker said she will release more information to the Casemate as it becomes available. In the meantime, two helpful Web sites can be accessed at sddc.army.mil and dpsinfo.sra.com.

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A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held May 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Activities Center. Call 1-800-448-3543 for up-to-date blood donor requirement information.

Historical talk

The Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Monroe will meet Monday at 11:30 a.m. at Delargy's Bistro, Hampton.

Hank Lutton of the James River Institute for Archaeology will be the guest speaker. He will present an illustrated talk on the recent archaeological survey in downtown Hampton.

This event is open to the public. For more information contact David Johnson at 788-3935.

'New blood' needed

The American Red Cross is searching for candidates to fill advisory council and reservation chairperson positions. Volunteers should be friendly and enthusiastic. The duties include coordination of the reservations process by phone and/or in person and contacting donors two to three days prior to each blood drive.

For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Marie Fago at 727-9646, or publicity chairperson Heather McCann at 722-9499.

College funding talk

The Fort Monroe Credit Union will host a seminar titled "How to Finance the High Cost of College

Education" on May 19 at 7 p.m. at the Willow Oaks Branch of the Hampton Public Library.

Speakers from the Educational Opportunity Council will discuss best practices to use when applying for funding. They will also answer scholarship questions.

The seminar is free and open to the public, but seats are limited. Reserve seats by calling the member services department of the credit union at 728-2704, or by e-mailing marketing@fortmonroecu.org.

Dental training

The 1st Dental Squadron, Langley Air Force Base, will offer a Red Cross Volunteer Dental Assistant Training Program starting in June.

It is a six-month program for energetic people who are eager to learn various aspects of the dental field. The program is open to retirees, dependants of active duty and retired members. Applications are available at the reception desk of the 1st Dental Squadron.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Daniel Espinosa or the project NCOIC at 764-7611.

STT pilot project

Spouses to Teachers (STT) is a pilot project in California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Texas and Vir-

ginia to help spouses of active duty, Selective Reserves, the National Guard or Individual Ready Reserves recalled to active duty become teachers.

The primary candidates are spouses holding, or working toward, a bachelor's degree or higher, and those certified to teach in one state and applying for certification in another state to fill K-12 positions in public or private schools.

Limited funding will be provided to cover the cost of tests required for state teacher licensure. Maximum financial assistance is \$599 per person.

Visit the STT Web site: www.SpousestoTeachers.com for more information.

Mandatory training

The Honorable Acting Secretary of the Army Les Brownlee has made face-to-face ethics training mandatory for all DA federal employees – military and civilian – regardless of rank or position. There are no exceptions.

May 4 and 17 are the ethics training days for next month. Training will be held in the Post Theater at 1 p.m. and will last approximately one hour. Participants are reminded to sign in upon arrival.

The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate has personnel available to conduct training for individual offices or organizations at other times, if desired. For more information, contact Capt. Melinda Ecenrode at 788-3788 or melinda.ecenrode@monroe.army.mil.

Career seminar

A free seminar titled "Marketing Yourself for a Second Career" will be conducted at the Fort Monroe Theater May 19 from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

While the event is specifically targeted toward officers and senior NCOs who plan to leave the service in the next one to five years, others — to include spouses — are welcome.

The event will feature retired Army Col. Jerry Crews whose 29 years of active duty included more than 10 years of military personnel experience.

For more information, call Reba Gordon at 878-2881

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The 2005 Leisure Needs Survey is here!

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in two waves, said Carol Hetter, the directorate's deputy chief of training and operations. The administrative leg moved in around the first week of February and school personnel took to their new offices one month later.

During the open house and dedication ceremony, Maj. Gen. Alan Thrasher, USACC commanding general, addressed a crowd of about 50 staff and visitors saying the event marks the first time JROTC operations will be housed under the same roof on Fort Monroe. Personnel were previously located in a WWII-era building here while others worked in offices off post.

Thrasher said JROTC personnel had direct input in the new structure's "state-of-the-art" interior design. By unifying all services in one space, the new facility ties in with the JROTC mission and its future aims, he added.

While USACC already maintains programs in thousands of schools across the country, its officials are lobbying to create 225 more over the next five years, Thrasher said. He credited retired Maj. Gen. Robert Wagner for shaping the JROTC



Photo by Belinda Baker

Flanked by a JROTC color guard comprised of students from Bethel High School, Hampton, and Denbigh High School, Newport News, Maj. Gen. Alan Thrasher, USACC commanding general, speaks at a building dedication ceremony here Wednesday.

program "as we know it today" and for garnering support for the program from Army leadership and the Departments of Defense, Justice and Education.

"(Wagner) coined our mission statement, 'to motivate young people to be better citizens.' It was by his direction ... that the curriculum was redesigned to support the citizenship mission, constructed to be relevant to high school students today and developed to

the latest technology. He put JROTC on the map ...," Thrasher said during his remarks.

As a testament to the JROTC program's positive impact on young lives, JROTC cadets from Bethel High School, Hampton, and Denbigh High School, Newport News, played an integral role in the day's event. With the look of seasoned active duty Soldiers in uniform, the young cadets served as the color guard.

TUSCAB tribute celebrates Soldiers

The U.S. Continental Army Band, Fort Monroe, will introduce an all-new musical tribute to Soldiers fighting the Global War on Terrorism, and all Americans who have served or are currently serving in uniform, May 6 at Roper Theater, Norfolk.

Titled "Tribute to Freedom," the event is free and open to the public. Tickets are required to guarantee seating. The performance starts at 7:30 p.m.

"Tribute to Freedom" acknowledges America's support of the military – homecomings and everyday citizens standing up in the airport to applaud passing Soldiers in uniform. "This is our handshake ... our salute," said band commander, Maj. Andrew Esch. "Its our chance to show the community of Hampton Roads that we appreciate their support."

The show will include a segment in which veterans of each service will be asked to stand and receive recognition. To make that moment as spectacular as the rest of the show, Esch said he hopes members of all branches of service will plan to attend.

The band is accepting requests for tickets by mail. Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: The U.S. Continental Army Band; ATTN: Tribute to Freedom tickets; 10 Bernard Road; Fort Monroe, VA 23651.

Guests with tickets are encouraged to arrive early as any open seats remaining 15 minutes before show time will be filled by non-ticket holders.

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Post museum highlights new exhibits

BY DAVID JOHNSON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Casemate Museum has just completed an intense period of renovation and installation of new exhibit materials. This was partly the result of damage caused by Hurricane Isabel, but the primary reason was a perceived need to improve some displays and add topics that had not been properly covered.

The new exhibits also allow the museum to present uniforms and other historically important pieces that have not been seen by the public.

Visitors will notice a change as soon as they enter the West Bastion entrance. In order to present a more vivid account of Fort Algernourne, Old Point Comfort's earliest fortification, a portion of the stockade wall has been recreated, along with two mannequins representing early 17th century soldiers.

Displays in West Bastion Five not only highlight the activities of the fort in the 1830s and '40s, but also some of the personalities who were stationed here in those early years. New exhibits that focus on Fort Monroe's role in the various Indian wars of the 1830s and the establishment of the Artillery School of Practice in 1824 have supplemented older ones devoted to Edgar Allan Poe and Chief Black Hawk.

Another new exhibit offers a glimpse into the lives of two officers' wives at the fort, Mary Ran-

dolph Custis Lee and Mary Walbach, during this period. Fragments of chinaware found during recent archaeological excavations are also displayed.

The living quarters exhibit, previously installed in Casemate Six, has been moved to a more chronologically correct location in Casemate Three. The next casemate is

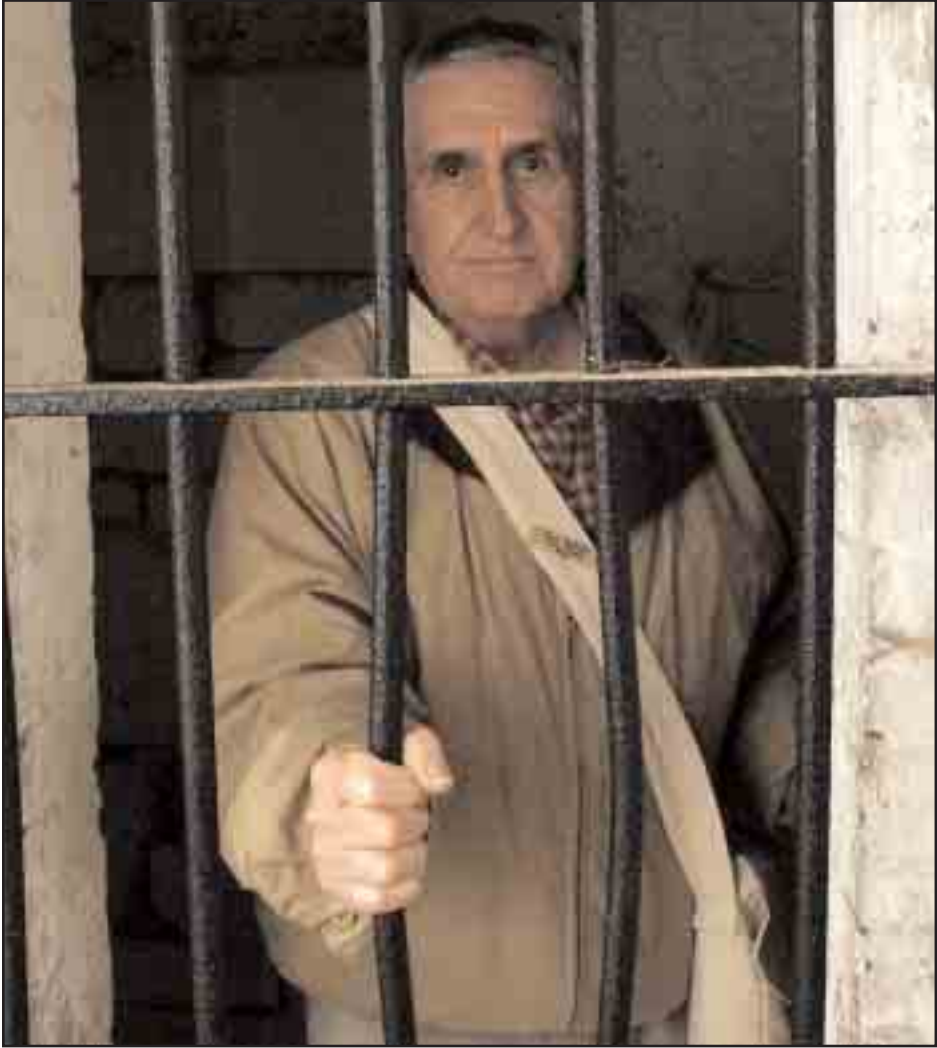
devoted to Fort Monroe's Artillery School in the late 19th century. This very important facility was mentioned in previous exhibits but was never given the attention it deserved.

Casemate Five contains uniforms and gun models from the early years of the Coast Artillery period that dominated Fort Monroe's military mission until the end of World War II.

The next casemate elaborates on this theme by showing the plotting room of a coast artillery gun battery, a discussion of the Army Mine Planter Service, the increasing significance of anti-aircraft artillery and a little-known experiment using women in anti-aircraft artillery units during World War II.

Near the exit door in Casemate Eight is a temporary exhibit of Fort Monroe and Old Point Comfort souvenirs such as chinaware, spoons, postcards, pennants and other mementos. These items all come from the museum's extensive collection, and most have never been publicly displayed.

In the museum library (Building 14), new bookshelves have been erected to replace the old wooden shelving ruined by floodwater damage during the recent hurricane. As in the past, this reference facility is available to researchers by appointment only. Sometime during the next year the Casemate Museum plans to move its offices to Quarters No. 1, which will also have several exhibit rooms open to the public.



Photos by Patricia Radcliffe

Docent Bob Ballou holds stockade bars that a prisoner reportedly bent and squeezed through before doing the same to exterior window bars overlooking the moat. The prisoner escaped only to drown in the waters below.

Docent's props bring realism to Civil War tour

BY PATRICIA RADCLIFFE
CASEMATE STAFF WRITER

Carrying a bag of lint and recently baked hardtack, Bob Ballou, Sr., talks with children at



Docent Bob Ballou describes the contents and uses of items stored in a haversack he carries while addressing a children's tour group Monday.

the Casemate Museum as a Civil War era private first class.

"Did you know women would scrape lint off their clothes to provide to soldiers? What do you think the soldiers used it for?," Ballou asked a group of third-graders from Barron Elementary School in Hampton.

He then explained how medics would use the lint in place of gauze or bandages of modern times. They packed it into bullet holes, for example, to stem blood flow and protect the wound.

Presenting little known facts of that sort, Ballou realized, was the best way to capture the attention of his young visitors on a distractingly pleasant Monday morning.

Ballou finds most aspects of the Civil War fascinating, and that interest is nurtured at Fort Monroe's Casemate Museum.

"If you are interested in history, this is a wonderful place to start. This is the beginning of the War Between the States. It's the only Union fort that was not captured, that I know of, by the Confederacy. It could have been because there were only 245 people here when the war started, but then old Gen. Butler sneaks in here with 2,000 more guys," Ballou said.

Ironically, the Confederacy never exploited one of Fort Monroe's greatest weaknesses ... water. Ballou explained to his guests that, even though the post is surrounded by liquid, none of it was really fit to drink and no wells were ever

dug. Thus, water — which Ballou described as "nasty" — had to be shipped in.

Continuing his tour, Ballou makes note of his personal connection to Fort Monroe. The docent was born at the Fort Monroe Hospital, now known as Craven Clinic. After a three-year stint in the Army and a 44-year career with a telephone company, the retiree has completed a circle of sorts by returning to his birthplace.

Decked out in his Civil War-era getup, complete with mementos and haversack, Ballou has earned a reputation among his fellow docents for having a great deal of patience with younger visitors. He keeps them actively involved with indoor and outdoor presentations.

"There are a lot of activities outside. The tour normally encompasses the flag bastion and we walk along and look at the animal graves. You can count the number of dog graves versus cat graves versus squirrel graves versus gerbil. We view the Jefferson Davis Memorial Park and see the lighthouse, the Chapel of the Centurion, and then go to the Lincoln Gun. That encompasses about an hour and a half. If it's a small group, they can go into the stockade," he said enthusiastically.

Ballou is just one of several volunteer docents who give tours to groups of 10 or more upon request. The museum requires a two-week advance notice to schedule a tour.

For more information, contact Carol Hanson at 788-3391.

Virginia International TATTOO

TUSCAB joins global celebration of military



Photo left: Sgt. First Class Lori Larson and staff sergeants Christal Reams and Martha Krabill, from the U.S. Army Chorale Fort Myers, Va., perform a medley of WWII-era songs with music by a joint service ensemble. Photo right: Sgt. Charles Harper of The U.S. Continental Army Band lends his vocal talent to the 2005 International Tattoo.



Photo above: Members of the U.S. Coast Guard Ceremonial Drill Team, Alexandria, Va., perform in total silence during the Tattoo. The team was comprised of one drill master and 16 seamen. Along with precise marching movements, the coastguardsmen dazzled the audience with expertly choreographed spinning and throwing maneuvers using rifles with fixed bayonets.



Sgt. First Class Adam Hefflefinger leads The U.S. Continental Army Band into the performance area of the Scope Arena, Norfolk, during a dress rehearsal for the 2005 Virginia International Tattoo. With nightly performances April 22-24, the Tattoo featured more than 700 military members, musicians and dancers from six countries. The Norfolk event is the largest show of its kind in the U.S.



Photo above: Representing the U.S. Army and the Military District of Washington, performers from The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps delight the audience with a drumline solo. Photo right: More than 20 members of the German police force (Polizei Berlin) form a human pyramid atop three motorcycles in motion.

*Photos by
Patrick Buffett*

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Stripes win 15-14



Photo left: Sgt. Maj. Daryl Winebrenner tags Col. Kelly Thomas as he leaps toward second base in the final inning of the Stars vs. Stripes softball game played here on April 22. Photo below: Winebrenner and Master Sgt. Kevin Wigfall confirm that the runner is out in the play that ended the game.



Photos by Patricia Radcliffe

Tennis Carnival

A Salute to the Military Tennis Carnival will be held on May 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hampton Tennis Center, 9 Woodland Road, Hampton.

There will be various free clinics, games, demonstrations and several competitions for prizes. Lunch is also free. Flat soled tennis shoes are required for playing on the clay courts. The rain date is May 8 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Call 727-1193 to register. For additional information, contact event manager Charles Bryant at 766-0022.

Free admission to Kingsmill Open

Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc. is extending an invitation to all members of the armed forces to attend the Michelob ULTRA Open at Kingsmill on May 5. All active duty, Reservists, National Guard and ready reserve service members and one guest will receive free admission as part of the Heroes Salute program.

For more information, military members should visit www.herosalute.com.

Bowling Center

■ A No-Tap Bowling League is planned for either a Monday or Thursday evening this summer. A meeting on league formation will be held May 9 at 6 p.m.

■ The Big & Little summer league will start May 24. Teams will consist of at least one adult and one child. Cost is \$10 per person. The league will bowl on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Members will receive a bowling ball at the end of the season. There will be a meeting May 24 at 6 p.m. with bowling afterwards.

■ Residents of the Monroe community can bowl free Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. beginning May 24.

■ Senior Social Bingo bowling is free and is featured on Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m. beginning May 26.

■ The Chillin' Wednesday Trio-summer league is now forming. Cost is \$10 per week for the 12-week season. Bowling begins at 6:30 p.m. There will be a meeting June 1 at 6 p.m., with bowling afterwards.

All meetings will be held at The Bowl. Call 788-2939 for details.

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Post team pinches top medal at ‘Running Crab’ race

Members of the Fort Monroe Running Team chased down a first place finish among military competitors during the 2005 POMOCO “Running Crab” Half-Marathon April 23 in Hampton.

The post runners completed the 13-mile trot with a team time that was more than 27 minutes faster than that posted by the top military team competing in the 2004 event.

Among the 440 runners and 10 teams who completed this year’s race, Fort Monroe’s “Windy Runners” placed fourth overall with a combined time of 4:35:31. Sean Oatmeyer posted the fastest time of 1:29:18. Ken Downer and Jon Griesse also offered a solid performance, finishing with commendable times of 1:30:56 and 1:35:17, respectively. Griesse placed second in the 30-34 age group.

In the half marathon “men’s masters” competition, John DiCarlo placed second in the 55-59 age group with a time of 1:36:43. It was his second win in just over a month as DiCarlo finished first with teammate Steve Guthrie in the “men’s masters” category during the Shamrock Marathon in March.

According to the post team’s coordinator, Dale Abrahamson, it was a “total group effort” that ensured victory. The team has also benefitted from skilled, veteran runners who have been competing in this area for more than a year.

This is the second in a series of races the Fort Monroe running team will compete in leading up to the Army 10-Mile Race scheduled for Oct. 2 in Washington, D.C., Abrahamson said.

All post Soldiers and civilians are invited to join the team. For more information, contact Abrahamson at 788-4227 or Lt. Col. Mark Carper at 788-4218.



Fort Monroe Running Team members Ken Downer, left, Jon Griesse, center, and Sean Oatmeyer train for their next race during the lunch hour Tuesday. The trio, along with John DiCarlo, posted a first-place finish during the 2005 POMOCO Running Crab Half Marathon April 23 in Hampton.

Photo by Patrick Buffett

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MoatNotes

UPCOMING SPOTLIGHT EVENTS

Holocaust Observance..... May 3 | Bloodmobile May 11
Ethics Training May 4 | Newcomers' Orientation..... May 12
Prayer Luncheon May 5 | Clean Sweep Walk..... May 17
For more on these and other upcoming events, see calendar below or other stories and briefs in this issue.



April 30

Ugly Duckling

The American Theatre, Hampton, presents a special performance of "The Ugly Duckling" Saturday at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The Theater IV acting company, Richmond, dresses up this timeless tale by Hans Christian Anderson, with lively costumes and humorous sight gags. Their version features two ducks, Mac and Jack, who like to tease their brother, Honker, because he is ugly. When Honker runs away he meets comical characters like Mortimer the Mole, who hates dirt, and Harry the Bald Eagle, who has a head full of hair.

While the play is geared toward small children, the entire family will find it fun and entertaining. Tickets are \$6. To reserve seats by phone, call 722-2787.

Block Party

The City of Hampton continues its summertime Saturday Night Block Party Celebration from 6:30 to 11 p.m., along Queen's Way, downtown.

The event features rides, games, live music, food and beverages. Admission is free. For more information, call 727-1570.

Prairie Companion

America's foremost humorist and favorite storyteller, Garrison Keillor, returns to Chrysler Hall Theater, Norfolk, Saturday at 5:30 p.m.

This will be the "Prairie Home Companion's" third performance at the historic waterside venue. The National Public Radio show itself is celebrating its 30th year.

Tickets are \$65 per person. To reserve seats by phone, call 671-8100. Tickets are also available at the Virginia Arts Festival Box Office in MacArthur Center, at the Scope Box Office and Ticketmaster outlets.

Ikebana Workshop

The art of Japanese flower arranging, known as "Ikebana," will be the focus of a Saturday workshop at Courthouse Galleries Museum, Portsmouth. The event is scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Ikebana artisan Yasuko Zucker will lead the instruction. Participants should bring a lunch, a shallow 9-inch-by-9-inch water container, strong and sharp clippers, and a "Frog" or Kenzan.

The cost of the workshop is \$45 (\$35 for museum members). The fee includes admission to exhibits. Reservations are recommended. For more information, call 393-8543.

Magic Moment



Photo by Patricia Radcliffe

Alexis Sisemore, 3, seems astonished by a magician pushing a peacock feather through an inflated balloon without breaking it during a magic show at the Community Activities Center to celebrate the Month of the Military Child.

Book sale

A wide variety of novels, videos, CDs and records will be available for purchase at bargain prices during Williamsburg Regional Library's Book Sale Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and 2 to 4 p.m., respectively.

All proceeds from the sale will benefit the library. Purchases can be made with cash, check or Visa and MasterCard. For more information, call 259-4071.

Docent training

The Newsome House Museum & Cultural Center, Newport News, is in need of volunteer docents and living historians. A training workshop will be conducted Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m.

Volunteers play a vital role in the museum's mission of not only preserving the Queen Anne residence once occupied by J. Thomas Newsome at the turn of the 20th century, but also highlighting the many artistic and historical accomplishments of, primarily, black Americans.

The contributions of the volunteer staff also promote the museum's free admission (a \$2 donation is suggested) policy. For more information, call 247-2360/2380.

May 1

Earth Day

Between live bands and monster trucks, balloon animals and face painting, the Virginia Beach Clean Community Commission's Earth Day 2005 celebration Sunday at Mount Trashmore Park is sure to offer something for everyone. Free and open to the public, the event runs from noon to 5 p.m.

With more than 50 interactive exhibits and activities, participants will experience a "family-fun-approach" to good environmental stewardship. Other entertainment during the event includes the World Champion Dragon Force Karate Team and the Daughters of Chandani Bellydancers.

A variety of food vendors will also be on site. For more information, call 427-4104.

Book signing

Local author Ann Davis will discuss her 2004 novel "Time Will Tell" at a book signing and tea social Sunday at 2 p.m., at the Hampton Public Library. For further information, call 727-1154.

May 4

Fountain fiesta

Visitors will enjoy "a ton of south-of-the-border fun" during the Fiesta by the Fountain celebration Wednesday from 5 to 9 p.m., at the City Center Oyster Point in Newport News.

Back by popular demand, this event offers spicy food, cool beverages and hot music. Children can participate in free games and crafts. Admission is free. For more information, call 926-1400.

May 5

Basket class

The Fortress Frame and Craft Shop, Fort Monroe, will conduct a "Guest Basket Class" from 6 to 10 p.m., Thursday inside the Community Activities Center.

Participants will complete the basket project in class using natural and dyed flat reed and small ball feet. The baskets make great gifts and are a perfect decorative item.

The cost of the class is \$28, which includes all supplies except basket shears. For more information, or to sign up for the class, call 788-2728.

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At The Movies

Showing at the Fort Eustis Theater

- Friday, April 29
7 p.m. — Robots (PG)
Saturday, April 30
2 and 7 p.m. — Robots (PG)
Wednesday, May 4
7 p.m. — Hostage (R)
Thursday, May 5
7 p.m. — Hostage (R)
Friday, May 6
7 p.m. — Miss Congeniality 2 (PG-13)
Saturday, May 7
2 p.m. — No Show
7 p.m. — Miss Congeniality 2 (PG-13)
Wednesday, May 11
7 p.m. — Guess Who (PG-13)
Thursday, May 12
7 p.m. — Guess Who (PG-13)

*The Langley Air Force Base movie theater is closed for renovations.

Adults \$2, children 6-12 years old \$1.50 and children under 6 are free. If a child under 6 occupies a seat at a G-rated movie, admission is \$1.50. Special movie showings are available. Contact John Low at LowJ@aafes.com or 766-1237 for details.

ACS Corner

Free summer camps

Operation Purple provides free summer camps around the world for military children. Registration ends May 15.

The goal of the Operation Purple camps is to give military children the tools to battle stress resulting from a parent's deployment. The camps are open to all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces, to include the National Guard and Reserve components. The program is administered by the National Military Family Association (NMFA). For more information, visit www.nmfa.org.

Federal jobs

The Federal Government is about to launch an aggressive hiring session in the area of security. Over the next two years, the government expects to fill 37,515 security and enforcement related positions. They include criminal investigation, police officers and airport screeners.

Furthermore, it is estimated that almost 150,000 job vacancies will exist in the federal government in the next few years. Among those are the "most wanted list" are:

Public Health – physicians, nurses, pharmacists and medical technicians (approximately 25,756 new hires)

Engineering/Sciences – physicists, chemists, biologists, botanists and veterinarians (approximately 23,806 new hires)

Program Management/Administrative – public affairs specialists, human resources specialists and Congressional affairs officers (approximately 17,353 new hires)

Accounting/Budget/Business – IRS revenue agents and tax examiners, contract managers (approximately 12,985 new hires)

Under the Bush presidency, the number of private contractors has also increased. The president wants more agencies to allow the private sector to compete for work that does not have to be done by federal employees. Bush believes that allowing private contractors to bid for such work spurs efficiency and lowers costs whether or not the jobs stay in-house.

In figures compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, the average federal employee earns a salary comparable or better than his counterpart in private industry. Details on career opportunities and benefits, including 2005 salary schedules, can be found at www.opm.gov. The official job site of the U.S. Federal Government is www.USAJobs.gov. This site provides vacancy announcements for most Federal agencies.

(Note: This information was taken from an article entitled "New Developments in Federal Employment" by Elda Schwartz.)

Single parent group

Fort Monroe Army Community Services now has a Single Parent Support Group. It meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Soldier & Family Support Center, Building 206, Stillwell Road. Lunch is provided.

The May 10 meeting will include a guest speaker who will discuss financial planning. Other topics to be discussed in coming months include: children's behavior, diet and exercise, budgeting, round table discussions, and holiday planning. For more information, call 788-3878.

Fatherhood conference

The annual Joint Services Fatherhood Conference will be held here June 10 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Soldier & Family Support Center. There will be a family "pig pickin'" dinner at 5 p.m., the same day. For more information, or to register for the conference, call 788-3878.

"Toddler Time"

The Soldier & Family Support Center sponsors a "Toddler Time" playgroup each Monday (except on holidays) from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the gymnasium of the Community Activities Center.

All children under the age of 6 are welcome. Tents, tunnels, balls and pull toys are just some of the fun play items available for participants.

On the first Monday of each month, the center

also hosts a playgroup at the indoor pool from 10 to 11 a.m. Bring your bathing suits and swim diapers for those who are not completely potty trained. A lifeguard will be on duty; however, parents are still responsible for their children in the pool.

Toddler Time is designed to help children develop their social skills by providing unstructured playtime. It can lead to new friendships for the participating children and parents. It's a great opportunity to share experiences, swap stories and ask for advice about parenting issues.

Toddler Time is open to active duty service members, family members, DA Civilians, and retirees. To register or obtain additional information, contact Kathleen Miller at 788-3878.

Anger Management Classes

An ongoing Anger Management Class is offered through Army Community Services. The classes meet each Monday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Soldier & Family Support Center.

For more information, or to register for the class, call Allen Reed at 314-7910 or Kathleen Miller at 788-3878. Participants are required to attend eight sessions in order to receive a letter of completion, as needed.

Monthly Newcomers' Briefing

Army Community Services sponsors a Newcomers Briefing the second Thursday of each month. The sessions include a short overview of the services available on post and in the surrounding community. Briefings are also given by the Post Commander, Post CSM, School Liaison Officer and Post Chaplain.

Participants are also given a short tour of post. The Casemate Museum is among the areas visited. Spouses are welcome to attend. The next orientation will be held May 12 from 8:30 to 11 a.m., at the Soldier & Family Support Center, Building 206, Stillwell Drive.

For more information, or to register, contact Marie Hinton at 788-4344 or Kathleen Miller at 788-3878.

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May 6

American Theatre

Often referred to as "The First Lady of Country Music," Tammy Wynette recorded more than 50 albums and scored 39 top 10 hits during her 20-year career. She also married five times and the "heroine of heartbreak" died at the young age of 55.

Tammy's story is the focus of an Encore Production stage performance titled "Stand By Your Man," coming to the American Theatre, Hampton, May 6 and 7 at 8 p.m., and May 8 at 2:30 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$25 and \$30 depending on seating location. For more information, or to reserve tickets, call 722-2787.

John McCutcheon

One of America's most celebrated folk musicians, John McCutcheon, will be on stage at

the Yoder Barn Theatre, Newport News, May 6 at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$25 for adults and \$22 for seniors and students with ID. For more information, or to reserve seats, call 249-4187.

May 7

Mystery History Tour

Edgar Allen Poe, Pocahontas and Richard Decauter Lee will be among the 19th century characters on hand during Lee Hall Mansion's "Mystery History Tour," May 7. Performances will take place at 6, 6:45 and 7:30 p.m. Reservations are required.

During this family-oriented event, guests will hunt for clues among the role-players to solve the day's mystery.

The participation fee is \$7 per person. A family rate is also offered. For more information, or to make reservations, call 888-3371.

Children's festival

Featuring more than 100 hands-on activities and an assortment of games, rides and food vendors, the Children's Festival of Friends May 7 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Newport News Park offers something for everyone between the ages of 2 and 12.

The festival will also feature nationally known entertainment. All activities are free. Parking is \$3 per vehicle. For more information, call 926-1400.

May 11

Pampered moms

The Constant Center, ODU campus, Norfolk, is teaming up with several local businesses in their area to offer a pair of exciting entertainment packages just for moms. Both packages include admission to the Sarah McLachlan concert May 11 at 7:30 p.m.

The "Mother's Evening of Pampering" option includes a two hour mini-spa, hair and makeup session provided by Visions Hair Studio and Day Spa of Norfolk before the concert. Light appetizers and beverages are included. The \$99.99 fee includes one club-level concert ticket. Additional tickets are \$57.75 for the concert only. Reservations must be made by May 6. For more information, contact Kevin Goldman at 683-5000 or 6545.

The "Mother's Day" option includes two concourse level tickets, the Sarah McLachlan CD "Afterglow," and a Mother's Day bouquet, which will be delivered on May 7. The cost is \$140. The promotion ends May 5 at 5 p.m. For more information and reservations, call 671-8100.

Since her debut in 1988, McLachlan has sold more than 22 million records worldwide. She is a three-time Grammy Award winner. Her latest album, "Afterglow," was released in 2003.

It's a Set Up



Photo by Patricia Radcliffe

Cadet Command team member Zach Boltz (top) prepares to respond to a ball set by Larry Abercrombie during an intramural volleyball game on April 19 at the Community Activities Center. Cadet Command won two games against ISA's team.

'Mmmm! Good' claims top league title

The officers and civilians mixed bowling league ended their season April 18 with team "Mmmm! Good" claiming the overall championship.

Missy Brinsley led the team in scoring and carried the women's high average of 165, and a high scratch game and series of 235/630. She also rolled 283 to clinch the women's high handicap game.

Team "Damfumarx" came in second with Andy Felmeten bowling the league high average of 176, and the high scratch game and series for the year — 268/646.

The high handicap game and series were rolled by Robert Price with 313/770, tying Felmeten's 770 score.

Margaret Prantl garnered the high handicap series scoring 776.

Fort Monroe Bowl League Leaders

Women 200 or better game:	Chab Burchett — 209
Missy Brinsley — 216	Ron Finchum — 209
Michelle Proulx — 213	Chuck McIntyre — 205
	Lou Pattarino — 204
	William Crosby — 203
Men 200 or better game:	Dave Shuttly — 201
Don Bielata — 246, 212	Ed Spring — 201
Bob Zach — 224, 205, 200	George Desrosiers — 200
Kermit Chapman — 222	
Myron Bilyj — 220	Men 600 or better series:
Rudy Hendricks — 218	Bob Zach — 629
Ryan Cutshaw — 213	
Chip Wikan — 211	Scores cover the week ending April 22
Richard Hall — 210, 202	
Dennis Redmond — 210	



Photo by Patricia Radcliffe

USO bowling team member Mike Granville, seems to tell the bowling ball which way to travel as he tries for a strike on April 19 at The Bowl during Noontime League bowling.

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Norfolk Tides extend invite to Military Appreciation Night

The Norfolk Tides will host Military Appreciation Night at Harbor Park on May 21. The game starts at 7:15 p.m., but pregame celebrations begin when the gates open at 6 p.m.

Performances by The U.S. Continental Army Band are among the highlights of this year's festivities. The band will play outside the stadium prior to the game and perform the National Anthem during opening ceremonies.

Adventure seekers may also want to visit the U.S. Army Recruiting Command exhibit, which will include a rock climbing wall. Other services are also planning displays and military-related challenges. A fireworks display will follow the game against the Pawtucket Red Sox.

General admission seats are specially priced at \$5.50 (a \$2 discount) for active duty military, reservists, military retirees, DoD Civilians and all others who present a valid military ID card. A limited amount of discount parking is also available.

Stadium officials have also agreed to set aside special sections for groups of 25 or more, space permitting. Interested organizations, units, etc., should contact Dave Harrah at 622-2222, ext. 103 or 171 or e-mail dharrah@norfolktides.com. Group reservations must be arranged at least 10 days prior to the game.

For general information about Military Appreciation Night, call the Tides' front office at 622-2222.

Visit the Casemate online at www.monroe.army.mil/casemate

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MP Roll Call

PMO explains fishing, swimming rules

Fort Monroe residents and guests are reminded that Engineer Pier is the only authorized location for non-DoD civilians to fish on post.

The pier is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday to all persons from dawn until dusk. On Wednesdays, the pier is open to everyone from dawn until 4 p.m. After 4 p.m., it is only open to active duty, retired military, DoD civilians, and any other military ID card holders.

Fishing and crabbing are not allowed at the Marina Pier, Chamberlin Pier, Bay Breeze Beach, Dog Beach or seawalls.

The Finger piers, jetties and Mill Creek ramp are open to eligible ID-card holders only, seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

Moat fishing is permitted during designated spring and fall striper seasons (May 1 to June 15 and Oct. 4 to Dec. 31) for eligible ID card holders only. During these periods, moat fishing is authorized seven days a week, 24

hours a day.

Fishing licenses and equipment

Everyone must have a current ID and Virginia Saltwater Fishing License in their possession when fishing on post. A saltwater fishing license is required by anyone fishing with a rod and reel, hand line, or any fishing device in Virginia's portion of the Chesapeake Bay or in the saltwater tidal tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay.

Exceptions are children under 16 years of age; anyone 65 years of age or older; anyone fishing on a recreational, rental or head boat ... which has a valid Virginia fishing license covering everyone using it; organized groups or individuals with physical or mental limitations; veterans in veterans hospitals; and school groups (K-12) with permission from the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Further information or assistance may be obtained

at Old Point Comfort Marina (788-4308).

Swimming

Swimming is prohibited in non-designated areas. Water surrounding Fort Monroe contains severe currents, riptides and underwater debris. Swimming in these areas can cause injury or death. The safest rule is: "no lifeguard, no swimming."

Designated swimming areas are the Bay Breeze pool and beach. Lifeguards will be present Memorial Day through Labor Day during posted hours.

Swimming is not permitted beyond the boundaries of the designated swimming beach. Other off limits areas for swimming are Dog Beach, Mill Creek, the moat, jetties and the Marina.

Wading is not permitted in areas without lifeguards.

Signs will be displayed defining the limits of each water-use area. The signs are directives, and must be obeyed.

Post honors military spouses with Spirit of Norfolk Cruise

Fort Monroe will offer a free "Spirit of Norfolk" Cruise in recognition of Spouse Appreciation Day May 13. The offer is open to all military spouses in the community.

Participants will depart the Soldier and Family Support Center, Building 206, Stillwell Road, at 9 a.m. and return at approximately 3:45 p.m. The trip includes a buffet-style lunch and bus transportation. Free child care will also be provided

by the Post Child Development Center.

Reservations are required and must be made no later than May 10. For more information, or to reserve seats, contact Army Community Services at 788-3878.

The "Spirit of Norfolk" Cruise departs from Norfolk's Waterside and travels the historic Elizabeth River. For more information, visit www.spiritcitycruises.com.

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Speech Contest Winner



Name: Zachary Henderson
School/school year: Phoebus High School, 9th grade
Future plans: Become a band director
Parents: Maj. Scotty and Joy Henderson
Award: First place in the 4-H Share the Fun Presentation competition
Length of time in 4-H: three months
What the award means to him: "I feel like my hard work paid off. My hard work being a diabetic (that is), and getting to explain my story to others. People have a lot of questions and they are very cautious and think I'm limited. I just prove them wrong. I show them I can do everything they can, like sports, band and academics."
Next competition: June 23 at the Virginia 4-H Congress

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Soldier talent show

The Fort Eustis Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) program will present its 2nd Annual Soldier Talent Show, titled "BOSS Road to Stardom," on May 20 at 7 p.m. in Jacobs Theater, Fort Eustis.

The show is part of the 2005 Army festival of performing arts. Active duty personnel (all ranks) and Reservists are eligible to participate.

Categories are vocal soloist (male or female), instrumental vocalist, instrumental soloist, rap, spoken word, vocal group, vocal/instrumental, dance, individual specialty and group specialty.

Cash prizes will be awarded — 1st place \$250, 2nd place \$125 and 3rd place \$75. Festival judges will also be on hand to consider performers for the Army Soldier Show, USA EXPRESS, BRAVO Theatre Group and the Stars of Tomorrow Talent Showcase.

For more information and to register for the show, contact Randy Smith, BOSS MWR Advisor, at 878-2067 or e-mail randy.smith@eustis.army.mil.

Troop phone cards

Military Exchange Global Prepaid Phone Cards purchased through the AAFES "Help Our Troops Call Home" program can be sent to individual service members or "any service member" through the American Red Cross, USO, Air Force Aid Society or the Fisher House Foundation.

These charitable partners have distributed 26,767 phone cards since the "Help Our Troops Call Home" program began in April of last year.

In addition to offering the lowest rates, Military Exchange Global Prepaid Phone cards do not expire and are not subject to any additional charges or connection fees.

Log on to www.aafes.com and click the "Help Our Troops Call Home" link or call 800-527-2345 for more information.

YARDS contest

The City of Hampton's 2005 "Yards Are Really Distinctive Showplaces" contest has begun.

Through the program, the city recognizes residents "who work hard and contribute so much to the beauty of the Hampton," according to the Clean City Commission's Beautification Committee.

Community members are encouraged to nominate neighbors, friends or family members who have beautiful yards, and reside within the Hampton city limits.

Nomination forms can be picked up at Hampton City Hall, the Hampton Clean City Commission office, Bloxom's Nursery, McDonald Garden Center, or Mercury Mulch and Countryside Garden Center. Mail the nomination to Hampton Clean City Commission, 22 Lincoln Street, Hampton 23669, or fax it to 727-8313.

For more information, call the Hampton Clean City Commission at 727-6394.



Spotlight Event



A Mother's Day brunch will be held at the Bay Breeze Community Center May 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost is \$16.95 for reservations made by May 4 and \$18.95 afterward. Children 5 to 12 eat for half price and children 4 and under eat free. For reservations, call 788-2406.

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